

GRANT AWARD APPROVAL FORM

Direct questions regarding this
form to 3-1806.

1. OFFICIAL NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:

Date of SBE Approval of Grant Criteria 5/8/2007

2007--2008 Michigan School Readiness Program Evaluation Grant
(year) (year) (title)

Type: ☒ Initial ☐ Amendment ☐ Continuation

Legislation Authorizing This Grant Program:

☐ Federal Grant: CFDA Number _____ ☒ State Aid Grant: Section Number 32d ☐ Other (Private, Foundation)

2. SBE Priorities, Policies, and Programs that this Grant Supports (This information can be found on the SBE approved grant criteria form.):

The Michigan School Readiness Program is designed to help at-risk, four-year-old children enter school "safe, healthy, and eager to succeed in school and in life." This vision of the Great Start system supports the Board's goal of improving achievement for underperforming students as they enter school, and was addressed by the Task Force on Early Childhood. Evaluating the Michigan School Readiness Program and improving its effectiveness are critical activities.

3. Background/Purpose of Grant Program: The Michigan School Readiness Program has been operating in Michigan school districts and private agencies since 1985-86. From 1994 through 2007, the High/Scope Educational Research Foundation has conducted a longitudinal study of the effectiveness of the program, providing important data on the impact of the state-funded pre-kindergarten program on children's development and academic success, and assistance for program improvement.

Type of Grant Program: (check one)

☒ Competitive
☐ Formula
☐ Other: (specify below)

4. Target Population to be Served by Grant:

Four-year-old children at risk of school failure are served by the Michigan School Readiness Program. The evaluation grantee collects data and supports local improvement of all Michigan School Readiness Program grantees.

5. Eligible Applicants:

Any agency or organization with demonstrated previous experience in the design and utilization of program and process evaluation.

6. Award Information:

Amendment Date(s): _____	Amendment Amount(s): \$ _____	Total Recommended Award to Date: _____
Original Award Date: <u>4/3/08</u>	\$ _____	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
Original Award Amount: _____	\$ _____	
<u>\$300,000.00</u>	\$ _____	

7. Program Office Responsible:

Office	Unit	Contact	Phone
Early Childhood Ed. & Family Services	Preschool & Early Elementary Programs	Dr. Lindy Buch	13592

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8. OFFICE

Office Director Approval Signature: Lindy Beech Date: 3-28-08
Phone: 1-3592 Comments:

9. GRANTS OFFICE

Grants Office Approval Signature: Mary Ann Chatfield Date: 4-4-08
Comments:

☐ Exhibit A Not Required

☒ Exhibit B Not Required

10. DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

Deputy Superintendent Approval Signature: Gailly Vang Date: 4-7-08
Comments:

11. SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Approval Signature: Mike Date: 4-9-08
Comments:

INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Complete items 1-8 on this form. The Grants Administration and Coordination Unit will facilitate completion of items 9-11.
- B. **Attach three (3) sets of Exhibits A and B (one original and 2 copies).** Do not staple the pink form nor the originals of Exhibits A and B.
- Exhibit A---List of applicants (alphabetical order) recommended for funding, the amount requested and the amount Recommended to be funded.
- Exhibit B---List of applicants (alphabetical order) not recommended for funding and the amount each requested.
- C. Attach the grant award letters for the Superintendent's signature and the non-award letters for the Service Area Director's signature. The letters should be submitted in the same order given in Exhibit A and/or B. For each final Grant Award Notification letter, a Grant Award Notification form (yellow sheet) also needs to be submitted for the Superintendent's signature.
- D. Transmit Grant Award Approval Form (pink), attachments, and letters to the Grants Administration and Coordination Unit.

Note: This process takes, on average, two weeks from the time the packet with the Office Director's signature on it is delivered to the Grants Office, until the time the fully signed packet is routed to the person administering the grant program. This time varies depending upon the number of corrections that are necessary and the availability of all of the signers. It can take longer particularly around holiday times when the signers may be out of the office. Proofread and plan accordingly.

2007-2008 Michigan School Readiness Program Evaluation Grant

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>
High/Scope Educational Research Foundation, Ypsilanti, Michigan	\$300,000	\$300,000